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Reply To

Attn of: ECL-115

Preston A. Sleeger U.S. Department of the Interior Office of the Secretary 500 NE Multnomah Street, Suite 356 Portland, Oregon 97232

Dear Mr. Sleeger:

Thank you for your letter of March 20, 2003, in response to EPA's request for input on possible site management options for the Upper Columbia River site. I understand that the Department is not able to provide a formal position by the time of EPA Region 10's internal team meeting of April 7, 2003, however, obtaining the Department's position in regard to NPL listing even after April 7<sup>th</sup> is very important to EPA.

Also, I want to thank you for the opportunity to meet with you and Department staff on March  $21^{st}$  in Spokane. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (206) 553-6694.

Sincerely,

David Croxton, Unit Manager Brownfields and Cleanup Unit 1

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